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Financing of the United Nations Mission for the Referendum in Western Sahara

Draft resolution submitted by the Chairman following informal consultations

Financing of the United Nations Mission for the Referendum in Western Sahara

The General Assembly,

Having considered the reports of the Secretary-General on the financing of the United Nations Mission for the Referendum in Western Sahara[1] and the related reports of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions,[2]

Recalling Security Council resolution 690 (1991) of 29 April 1991 regarding the establishment of the United Nations Mission for the Referendum in Western Sahara and the subsequent resolutions by which the Council extended the mandate of the Mission, the latest of which was resolution 1406 (2002) of 30 April 2002,

Recalling also its resolution 45/266 of 17 May 1991 on the financing of the Mission and its subsequent resolutions and decisions thereon, the latest of which was resolution 55/262 of 14 June 2001,

Reaffirming the general principles underlying the financing of United Nations peacekeeping operations, as stated in General Assembly resolutions 1874 (S-IV) of 27 June 1963, 3101 (XXVIII) of 11 December 1973 and 55/235 of 23 December 2000,

Noting with appreciation that voluntary contributions have been made to the Mission,

Mindful of the fact that it is essential to provide the Mission with the necessary financial resources to enable it to fulfil its responsibilities under the relevant resolutions of the Security Council,

[1] A/56/818 and A/56/826.
[2] A/56/887 and A/56/946.

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1. *Takes note* of the status of contributions to the United Nations Mission for the Referendum in Western Sahara as at 30 April 2002, including the contributions outstanding in the amount of 50 million United States dollars, representing some 11 per cent of the total assessed contributions, notes with concern that only nineteen Member States have paid their assessed contributions in full, and urges all other Member States, in particular those in arrears, to ensure payment of their outstanding assessed contributions;

2. *Expresses its appreciation* to those Member States which have paid their assessed contributions in full;

3. *Expresses concern* about the financial situation with regard to peacekeeping activities, in particular as regards the reimbursements to troop contributors that bear additional burdens owing to overdue payments by Member States of their assessments;

4. *Urges* all other Member States to make every possible effort to ensure payment of their assessed contributions to the Mission in full and on time;

5. *Expresses concern* at the delay experienced by the Secretary-General in deploying and providing adequate resources to some recent peacekeeping missions, in particular those in Africa;

6. *Emphasizes* that all future and existing peacekeeping missions shall be given equal and non-discriminatory treatment in respect of financial and administrative arrangements;

7. *Also emphasizes* that all peacekeeping missions shall be provided with adequate resources for the effective and efficient discharge of their respective mandates;

8. *Reiterates its request* to the Secretary-General to make the fullest possible use of facilities and equipment at the United Nations Logistics Base at Brindisi, Italy, in order to minimize the costs of procurement for the Mission;

9. *Endorses* the conclusions and recommendations contained in the report of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions,[3] and requests the Secretary-General to ensure their full implementation;

10. *Requests* the Secretary-General to take all necessary action to ensure that the Mission is administered with a maximum of efficiency and economy;

11. *Also requests* the Secretary-General, in order to reduce the cost of employing General Service staff, to continue efforts to recruit local staff for the Mission against General Service posts, commensurate with the requirements of the Mission;

Performance report for the period from 1 July 2000 to 30 June 2001

12. *Takes note* of the financial performance report of the Mission for the period from 1 July 2000 to 30 June 2001;[4]

[3] A/56/946.
[4] A/56/818.

Budget estimates for the period from 1 July 2002 to 30 June 2003

13. *Decides* to appropriate to the Special Account for the United Nations Mission for the Referendum in Western Sahara the amount of _____ dollars for the period from 1 July 2002 to 30 June 2003, inclusive of 41,529,500 dollars for the maintenance of the Mission, _____ dollars for the support account for peacekeeping operations and _____ dollars for the United Nations Logistics Base;

Financing of the appropriation

14. *Also decides* to apportion among Member States the amount of _____ dollars at a monthly rate of _____ dollars in accordance with the levels set out in General Assembly resolution 55/235 of 23 December 2000, as adjusted by the Assembly in its resolution 55/236 of the same date, and taking into account the scale of assessments for 2002 and 2003 as set out in its resolution 55/5 B also of the same date, subject to a decision of the Security Council to extend the mandate of the Mission;

15. *Further decides* that, in accordance with the provisions of its resolution 973 (X) of 15 December 1955, there shall be set off against the apportionment among Member States, as provided for in paragraph 14 above, their respective share in the Tax Equalization Fund of _____ dollars for the period from 1 July 2002 to 30 June 2003 at a monthly rate of _____ dollars, comprising the estimated staff assessment income of 3,081,000 dollars approved for the Mission for the period from 1 July 2002 to 30 June 2003, the prorated share of _____ dollars of the estimated staff assessment income approved for the support account for the period from 1 July 2002 to 30 June 2003 and the increase in staff assessment income of that account for the period from 1 July 2000 to 30 June 2001, and the prorated share of _____ dollars of the estimated staff assessment income approved for the United Nations Logistics Base for the period from 1 July 2002 to 30 June 2003 and the reduction in staff assessment income of that account for the period from 1 July 2000 to 30 June 2001;

16. *Decides* that for Member States that have fulfilled their financial obligations to the Mission, there shall be set off against their apportionment, as provided for in paragraph 14 above, their respective share of the unencumbered balance of 3,327,737 dollars and other income of 2,482,000 dollars in respect of the financial period ended 30 June 2001, in accordance with the levels set out in General Assembly resolution 55/235, as adjusted by the Assembly in its resolution 55/236, and taking into account the scale of assessments for the year 2001, as set out in its resolution 55/5 B;

17. *Also decides* that for Member States that have not fulfilled their financial obligations to the Mission their respective share of the unencumbered balance of 3,327,737 dollars and other income of 2,482,000 dollars in respect of the financial period ended 30 June 2001 shall be set off against their outstanding obligations in accordance with the scheme set out in paragraph 16 above;

18. *Further decides* that the decrease in the staff assessment income of 465,500 dollars in respect of the financial period ended 30 June 2001 shall be set off against the credits from the unencumbered balance referred to in paragraphs 16 and 17 above;

19. *Emphasizes* that no peacekeeping mission shall be financed by borrowing funds from other active peacekeeping missions;

20. *Encourages* the Secretary-General to continue to take additional measures to ensure the safety and security of all personnel under the auspices of the United Nations participating in the Mission;

21. *Invites* voluntary contributions to the Mission in cash and in the form of services and supplies acceptable to the Secretary-General, to be administered, as appropriate, in accordance with the procedure and practices established by the General Assembly;

22. *Decides* to include in the provisional agenda of its fifty-seventh session the item entitled "Financing of the United Nations Mission for the Referendum in Western Sahara".

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Financing of the United Nations Organization Mission in the Democratic Republic of the Congo

Draft resolution submitted by the Rapporteur following informal consultations

Financing of the United Nations Organization Mission in the Democratic Republic of the Congo

The General Assembly,

Having considered the reports of the Secretary-General on the financing of the United Nations Mission in the Democratic Republic of the Congo[1] and the related reports of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions,[2]

Recalling Security Council resolutions 1258 (1999) of 6 August 1999 and 1279 (1999) of 30 November 1999 regarding respectively, the deployment to the Congo region of military liaison personnel and the establishment of the United Nations Organization Mission in the Democratic Republic of the Congo, and the subsequent resolutions by which the Council revised and extended the mandate of the Mission, the latest of which was resolution 1376 (2001) of 9 November 2001,

Recalling also its resolution 54/260 A of 7 April 2000, as well as subsequent resolutions on the financing of the Mission, the latest of which was resolution 56/252 B of 27 March 2002,

Reaffirming the general principles underlying the financing of United Nations peacekeeping operations, as stated in General Assembly resolutions 1874 (S-IV) of 27 June 1963, 3101 (XXVIII) of 11 December 1973 and 55/235 of 23 December 2000,

Noting with appreciation that voluntary contributions have been made to the Mission,

[1] A/56/825 and Corr.1 and A/56/897.
[2] A/56/887 and Add.11.

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Mindful of the fact that it is essential to provide the Mission with the necessary financial resources to enable it to fulfil its responsibilities under the relevant resolutions of the Security Council,

1. *Takes note* of the status of contributions to the United Nations Organization Mission in the Democratic Republic of the Congo as at 30 April 2002, including the contributions outstanding in the amount of 102.8 million United States dollars, representing some 14.7 per cent of the total assessed contributions, expresses concern that some 20 per cent of Member States have paid their assessed contributions in full, and urges all other Member States, in particular those in arrears, to ensure payment of their outstanding assessed contributions;

2. *Expresses its appreciation* to those Member States which have paid their assessed contributions in full;

3. *Urges* all Member States to make every possible effort to ensure payment of their assessed contributions to the Mission in full and on time;

4. *Expresses concern* about the financial situation with regard to peacekeeping activities, in particular as regards the reimbursement of troop contributors that bear additional burdens owing to overdue payments by Member States of their assessments;

5. *Also expresses concern* at the delay experienced by the Secretary-General in deploying and providing adequate resources to some recent peacekeeping missions, in particular those in Africa;

6. *Emphasizes* that all future and existing peacekeeping missions shall be given equal and non-discriminatory treatment in respect of financial and administrative arrangements;

7. *Also emphasizes* that all peacekeeping missions shall be provided with adequate resources for the effective and efficient discharge of their respective mandates;

8. *Reiterates its request* to the Secretary-General to make the fullest possible use of facilities and equipment at the United Nations Logistics Base at Brindisi, Italy, in order to minimize the costs of procurement for the Mission;

9. *Takes note* of the progress report of the Secretary-General on the status of the airfield services contract for the Mission,[3] and urges the timely and full implementation of the action plan contained therein;

10. *Also takes note* of the note by the Secretary-General transmitting the report of the Office of Internal Oversight Services on the audit of a contract for the provision of airfield services in the Mission;[4]

11. *Requests* the Secretary-General to report further on the status of the airfield services contract in the Mission to the General Assembly at its fifty-seventh session;

12. *Reaffirms* the relevant provisions of its resolutions 55/232 of 23 December 2000 and 55/247 of 12 April 2001;

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[3] A/56/938.

[4] A/56/906.

13. *Endorses* the conclusions and recommendations contained in the report of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions,[5] and requests the Secretary-General to ensure their full implementation;

14. *Requests* the Secretary-General to take all necessary action to ensure that the Mission is administered with a maximum of efficiency and economy, particularly with regard to air transport;

15. *Also requests* the Secretary-General, in order to reduce the cost of employing General Service staff, to continue efforts to recruit local staff for the Mission against General Service posts, commensurate with the requirements of the Mission;

16. *Approves*, on an exceptional basis, the special arrangements for the Mission with regard to the application of article IV of the Financial Regulations and Rules of the United Nations, whereby appropriations required in respect of obligations owed to Governments providing contingents and/or logistical support to the Mission shall be retained beyond the period stipulated under financial regulations 4.3 and 4.4, as set out in the annex to the present resolution;

Performance report for the period from 1 July 2000 to 30 June 2001

17. *Takes note* of the financial performance report of the Mission for the period from 1 July 2000 to 30 June 2001;[6]

18. *Decides* to appropriate to the Special Account for the United Nations Organization Mission in the Democratic Republic of the Congo the amount of 41 million dollars, as previously authorized and apportioned under the terms of General Assembly resolution 55/275 of 14 June 2001;

Budget estimates for the period from 1 July 2002 to 30 June 2003

19. *Also decides* to appropriate to the Special Account the amount of ____ dollars for the period 1 July 2002 to 30 June 2003, inclusive of _____ dollars for the maintenance of the Mission, _____ dollars for the support account for peacekeeping operations and _____ dollars for the United Nations Logistics Base;

Financing of the appropriation

20. *Further decides* to apportion among Member States the amount of _____ dollars at a monthly rate of _____ dollars, in accordance with the levels set out in General Assembly resolution 55/235 of 23 December 2000, as adjusted by the Assembly in its resolution 55/236 of the same date, and taking into account the scale of assessments for 2002 and 2003 as set out in its resolution 55/5 B also of the same date, subject to a decision of the Security Council to extend the mandate of the Mission;

21. *Decides* that, in accordance with the provisions of its resolution 973 (X) of 15 December 1955, there shall be set off against the apportionment among Member States, as provided for in paragraph 20 above, their respective share in the Tax Equalization Fund of _____ dollars approved for the Mission for the period

[5] A/56/887/Add.11.
[6] A/56/825 and Corr.1.

from 1 July 2002 to 30 June 2003 at a monthly rate of _____ dollars, comprising the estimated staff assessment income of _____ dollars approved for the Mission for the period from 1 July 2002 to 30 June 2003, the prorated share of _____dollars of the estimated staff assessment income approved for the support account for the period from 1 July 2002 to 30 June 2003 and the increase in staff assessment income of that account for the period from 1 July 2000 to 30 June 2001, and the prorated share of _____ dollars of the estimated staff assessment income approved for the United Nations Logistics Base for the period from 1 July 2002 to 30 June 2003 and the reduction in staff assessment income of that account for the period from 1 July 2000 to 30 June 2001;

22. *Also decides* that, for Member States that have fulfilled their financial obligations to the Mission, there shall be set off against the apportionment, as provided for in paragraph 20 above, their respective share of the unencumbered balance of 26,647,600 dollars and other income of 4,136,000 dollars in respect of the period ending 30 June 2001, in accordance with the levels set out in General Assembly resolution 55/235, as adjusted by the Assembly in its resolution 55/236, and taking into account the scale of assessments for the year 2001, as set out in its resolution 55/5 B;

23. *Further decides* that for Member States that have not fulfilled their financial obligations to the Mission their respective share of the unencumbered balance of 26,647,600 dollars and other income of 4,136,000 dollars in respect of the period ending 30 June 2001 shall be set off against their outstanding obligations in accordance with the scheme set out in paragraph 22 above;

24. *Decides* that the decrease in the staff assessment income of 20,300 dollars shall be set off against the credits from the unencumbered balance in respect of the financial period ended 30 June 2001 referred to in paragraphs 22 and 23 above;

25. *Emphasizes* that no peacekeeping mission shall be financed by borrowing funds from other active peacekeeping missions;

26. *Encourages* the Secretary-General to continue to take additional measures to ensure the safety and security of all personnel under the auspices of the United Nations participating in the Mission;

27. *Invites* voluntary contributions to the Mission in cash and in the form of services and supplies acceptable to the Secretary-General, to be administered, as appropriate, in accordance with the procedure and practices established by the General Assembly;

28. *Decides* to include in the provisional agenda of its fifty-seventh session the item entitled "Financing of the United Nations Organization Mission in the Democratic Republic of the Congo".

Annex

Special arrangements with regard to the application of article IV of the financial regulations of the United Nations

1. At the end of the twelve-month period provided for in financial regulation 4.3, any unliquidated obligations for the financial period in question

relating to goods supplied and services rendered by Governments for which claims have been received or which are covered by established reimbursement rates shall be transferred to accounts payable; such accounts shall remain recorded in the Special Account for the United Nations Organization Mission in the Democratic Republic of the Congo until payment is effected.

2. In addition:

(a) Any other unliquidated obligations of the financial period in question owed to Governments for provision of goods and services rendered but not yet verified, as well as other obligations owed to Governments, for which claims have not yet been received shall remain valid for an additional period of four years following the end of the twelve-month period provided for in financial regulation 4.3;

(b) Claims received during this four-year period as well as approved verification reports shall be treated as provided for under paragraph 1 of the present annex, if appropriate;

(c) At the end of the four-year period, any unliquidated obligations shall be cancelled and the then remaining balance of appropriations retained therefor shall be surrendered.

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Proposed programme budget for the biennium 2002-2003

Draft resolution submitted by the Chairman following informal consultations

Estimates in respect of matters of which the Security Council is seized

The General Assembly,

Having considered the reports of the Secretary-General on the estimates in respect of matters of which the Security Council is seized,[1] as well as the related report of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions[2] and the oral statement of the Chairman of the Advisory Committee to the Fifth Committee,[3]

Recalling its resolution 56/274 of 27 March 2002, in which it approved a charge totalling 41,458,500 United States dollars against the provision for special political missions under section 3, Political affairs, of the programme budget for the biennium 2002-2003,[4]

1. *Takes note* of the reports of the Secretary-General on the estimates in respect of matters of which the Security Council is seized,[1] and concurs with the observations and endorses the recommendations of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions contained in its report[2] and in the oral statement of its Chairman;[3]

2. *Approves* the charge of 34,303,300 dollars for the United Nations Assistance Mission in Afghanistan against the balance remaining of the provision for special political missions appropriated under section 3, Political affairs, of the programme budget for the biennium 2002-2003;[4]

3. *Also approves*, under the procedures provided for in paragraph 11 of annex I to General Assembly resolution 41/213 of 19 December 1986, an additional

[1] A/C.5/56/25/Add.4 and 5.
[2] A/56/7/Add.10. For the final text, see *Official Records of the General Assembly, Fifty-sixth Session, Supplement No. 7A.*
[3] See A/C.5/56/SR.59
[4] A/56/6 (Sect. 3).

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appropriation of 10,563,100 dollars for the two political missions discussed in the reports of the Secretary-General, comprising 8,707,400 dollars for the United Nations Assistance Mission in Afghanistan and 1,855,700 dollars for the United Nations Tajikistan Office of Peace-building;

4. *Further approves* an appropriation of 4,165,800 dollars, comprising 3,929,500 dollars in respect of the United Nations Assistance Mission in Afghanistan and 236,300 dollars in respect of the United Nations Tajikistan Office of Peace-building, under section 32, Staff assessment, of the programme budget,[5] to be offset by a corresponding amount in income section 1, Income from staff assessment.[6]

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[5] Ibid. (Sect. 32).
[6] Ibid. (Income sect. 1).

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Agenda item 133
Administrative and budgetary aspects of the financing of the United Nations peacekeeping operations

Draft resolution submitted by the Vice-Chairman following informal consultations

Instances for which the United Nations is entitled to restitution as the result of non-compliance with status-of-forces or other agreements

The General Assembly,

Having considered the report of the Secretary-General on instances for which the United Nations is entitled to restitution as the result of non-compliance with status-of-forces or other agreements[1] and the related report of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions,[2]

1. *Takes note* of the information contained in the report of the Secretary-General;[1]

2. *Recalls* its resolution 55/12 of 1 November 2000;

3. *Requests* the Secretary-General to report further to the General Assembly on the issues raised in his report that relate to the Federal Republic of Yugoslavia.

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[1] A/56/789.
[2] A/56/887, paras. 30-31.

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Agenda item 121
Review of the efficiency of the administrative and financial functioning of the United Nations

Draft decision submitted by the Chairman

Action taken on certain items

The General Assembly decides to defer to its fifty-seventh session consideration of the following agenda items and related questions:

Item 121
Review of the administrative and financial functioning of the United Nations

Item 126
Human resources management

(a) Gratis personnel provided by Governments and other entities (A/56/839);

Item 123
Programme budget for the biennium 2002-2003

(b) Report of the Secretary-General on concrete proposals on strengthening the Department of Public Information to support and enhance the United Nations web site in all official languages, (sect. 26 of the programme budget for the biennium 2002-2003);

(c) Report of the Secretary-General on expenditures, grants and contributions (sect. 23 of the programme budget for the biennium 2002-2003);

Item 124
Pattern of conferences

(d) Report of the Secretary-General on improving and modernizing the conference facilities at the United Nations Office at Nairobi;

(e) Report of the Secretary-General on the status of recruitment for the Interpretation Section at the United Nations Office at Nairobi (A/56/901);

(f) Report of the Secretary-General on the simultaneous availability of parliamentary documentation in all six official languages on the United Nations web site (A/C.5/56/37);

Item 126
Human resources management

(g) Report of the Secretary-General on the list of staff of the United Nations Secretariat (A/C.5/56/L.7);

(h) Report of the Secretary-General on amendments to the Staff Rules (A/56/227);

(i) Note by the Secretariat on the streamlining of rules (A/C.5/56/3);

(j) Report of the Secretary-General on the employment of retirees (A/55/451);

(k) Report of the Secretary-General on consultants and individual contractors (A/56/834);

(l) Report of the Secretary-General on a monitoring capacity in the Office for Human Resources Management of all relevant activities in the Secretariat, regardless of the source of funding;

(m) Note by the Secretary-General transmitting the report of the Office of Internal Oversight Services on the issue of possible discrimination due to nationality, race, sex, religion and language in recruitment, promotion and placement (A/56/956);

Item 130
Report of the Secretary-General on the activities of the Office of Internal Oversight Services

(n) Report of the Secretary-General on enhancing the internal oversight mechanisms in operational funds and programmes, updated version (A/55/826 and Corr.1);

(o) Report of the Secretary-General on enhancing the internal oversight mechanisms in operational funds and programmes, updated views (A/56/823);

(p) Note by the Secretary-General transmitting the report of the Office of Internal Oversight Services on the inspection of programme management and administrative practices in the Office for Drug Control and Crime Prevention (A/56/83);

(q) Note by the Secretary-General transmitting the report of the Office of Internal Oversight Services on the investigation into allegations of misconduct and mismanagement of the "boat project" at the United Nations Office for Drug Control and Crime Prevention (A/56/689);

(r) Note by the Secretary-General transmitting the report of the Office of Internal Oversight Services on the inspection of the administrative and management practices of the United Nations Office at Nairobi (A/56/620);

(s) Note by the Secretary-General transmitting the report of the Office of Internal Oversight Services on the investigation into allegations of refugee

smuggling at the Nairobi Branch Office of the Office of the United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees (A/56/733);

(t) Note by the Secretary-General transmitting the report of the Office of Internal Oversight Services on the audit of the Office of the United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees private sector fund-raising activities (A/56/759);

(u) Note by the Secretary-General transmitting the report of the Office of Internal Oversight Services on the update of oversight activities concerning the oil-for-food programme and the United Nations Compensation Commission (A/56/903);

Item 133

Administrative and budgetary aspects of the financing of the United Nations peacekeeping operations

(v) Report of the Secretary-General on the implementation of the recommendations of the Special Committee on Peacekeeping Operations and the Panel on United Nations Peace Operations (A/56/732);

(w) Report of the Special Committee on Peacekeeping (A/56/863);

(x) Note by the Secretary-General transmitting the report of the Office of Internal Oversight Services on the audit of the policies and procedures for recruiting staff for the Department of Peacekeeping Operations (A/56/202);

(y) Note by the Secretary-General transmitting the report of the Office of Internal Oversight Services on the audit of the establishment and management of mission subsistence allowance rates (A/56/648);

(z) Note by the Secretary-General transmitting the report of the Office of Internal Oversight Services on the audit of the policies and procedures for recruiting staff for the Department of Peacekeeping Operations;

(aa) Report of the Secretary-General on the participation of United Nations Volunteers in peacekeeping operations (A/55/697);

(bb) Note by the Secretary-General on the progress report on the processing of claims for equipment contributed and self-sustainment undertaken in peacekeeping missions (A/C.5/56/44);

(cc) Report of the Secretary-General on the reform of the procedures for determining reimbursement to Member States for contingent-owned equipment (A/56/939);

(dd) Report of the Secretary-General on the practical aspects of the wet-lease, dry-lease and self-sustainment arrangements;

(ee) Report of the Secretary-General on a methodology for reimbursement of troop costs and on the implementation of the standards set out in the contingent-owned manual;

(ff) Annual report of the Secretary-General on the status of all death and disability claims (A/C.5/56/41);

Item 169
Administration of justice at the United Nations

(gg) Report of the Secretary-General on the administration of justice at the United Nations (A/56/800).